

Honoring Father And Mother

Introduction

- **Is the lack of respect we see today the fault of children or parents?**
- **Basically it is a lack of knowledge of God's commands to honor father and mother**

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- Eph. 6:2
- “Honour thy father and mother;
(which is the first commandment
with promise;)”

“Honor”

- To treat with respect; to hold in high esteem or high regard
- To obey your parents when you are young----- to care for them when they are older
- Do so with the proper attitude of heart

Honor

- Honoring parents is preparation for honoring God
- Eph. 6:1
- “Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right”

Honor

- **“in the Lord”** – “This passage takes for granted that Christian parents will have their children obey them as God’s representatives until they are old enough to obey God directly.” R. C. Bell

Parents – Are we living so as to be worth of honor?

- “Some parents do not live worthy of such honor. Is it not difficult to honor someone who doesn't deserve it?” Kirk Talley

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- “Between the current divorce rates and percentages of abused children, there is little room to fit ‘honorable parents’.”
Kirk Talley

Parents – Are we living so as to be worth of honor?

- How can parents know they are worthy?
- When men and women have not forsaken their God given roles- they are on the right track

Parents – Are we living so as to be worth of honor?

- **Wife/mother** --- She protects the home
- **Helpmeet**
- **Submits to her husband**
- **Keeper at home**
- **Guide of the home**

Parents – Are we living so as to be worth of honor?

- **Husband/father** --- Provides for the home
- **Head of the home**
- **Protector & physical provider**
- **Spiritual leader**

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- How about **Herod the great** for a father?
- How about **Jezebel** for a mother?
- How about **Boaz and Ruth** for parents?

The Example Of Jesus

- Lk. 2:51
- “And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and **was subject unto them**: but his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.”

The Example Of Jesus

- **Jn. 19:26-27**
- **When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son! Then saith he to the disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.**

The Teaching Of Jesus

- Mk. 7:5-13
- 11 But you say, ‘If a man tells his father or his mother, “Whatever you would have gained from me is Corban”’ (that is, given to God)

The Teaching Of Jesus

- **Mk. 7:5-13**
- **12 then you no longer permit him to do anything for his father or mother, 13 thus making void the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down. And many such things you do.”**

Saul, Jonathan and David

- 1 Samuel 20

Keeping This Command

- Honor your parents—do the best you can.
- If they ask things of you that are wrong or things that will harm them then these things you could not do
- Pray for wisdom and strength!

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